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PAYROLL LETTER # 01-025 CIVIL SERVICE ONLY

TO: All Agencies in the Uniform State Payroll System

FROM: RALPH ZENTNER, Acting Chief

Personnel/Payroll Operations Bureau

RE: ON-LINE WARRANT REGISTER

The State Controller's Office, Personnel/Payroll Services Division (PPSD), is pleased to announce the addition of the Warrant Register to the ViewDirect on-line report distribution system.

ViewDirect was implemented in April 1999 and made available to departments participating in the California Leave Accounting System. The reports distributed via ViewDirect are immediately available on-line soon after the reports are produced. Users do not have to wait for the time it takes to receive the printed version of the reports and can access the on-line reports from their workstations. Further, the reports can be printed from ViewDirect, if needed.

Currently, the following reports are accessible through View-Direct:

Benefit Over Max Report Leave Activities & Balances (LAB) Report Civil Service Tax Shelter 403(B) Compliance Report Established/Vacancy Position Reports

The Warrant Register will be available through ViewDirect starting January 1, 2002 and all departments can become ViewDirect participants. Regional training sessions will be conducted during January and February 2002. A subsequent Payroll Letter will be released in the near future providing the training dates and locations.

Access to ViewDirect requires security approval through the Security Authorization Form, PSD125A. Please refer to Personnel Letter #01-013, Security Access Authorization - PSD125A Processing, for further information. Current ViewDirect users will automatically have access to the on-line Warrant Register starting January 2002. ViewDirect users who wish to access the on-line Warrant Register immediately after January 1, 2002 can do so by following the attached instructions. Departments and users who do not have ViewDirect are encouraged to acquire access before attending the above training sessions.

The new on-line Warrant Register is a condensed version of the printed/hard copy Warrant Register. The printed version is rather cumbersome for on-line viewing, as it requires excess scrolling to view data on the screen. Through a departmental statewide survey and meetings with several departments, the on-line version was developed with the focus that it would be used primarily for payroll reconciliation purposes. Basically, the on-line register does not contain mandatory and voluntary deduction details that the hard copy contains. However, the deduction information can be obtained through the Payroll On-line History System (HIST).

The printed copies of the Warrant Register will continue to be provided to departments in addition to the on-line version until January 2003. Thereafter, only the on-line registers will be provided. Consequently, departments are strongly encouraged to begin using the on-line version immediately after attending a training session.

Please note, the five-year retention period for the Warrant Registers is no longer applicable. It is now at the department's discretion whether to retain the printed copies or discard after receipt.

Questions regarding the Warrant Register report and/or View-Direct can be directed to Lisa Callaghan at (916) 327-3923.

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ATTACHMENT

ViewDirect users can access the on-line Warrant Register by following these instructions:

Log on to 'SCOPROD'. After receiving the message "SIGN-ON IS COMPLETE", type 'REPT' and press enter. At the VIEWING MENU, type a 'T' in the "VIEW BY REPORTS OR TOPIC" field and; press enter. Key an 'X' on the line preceding 'PAYREG'; and press enter. Key an 'X' on the displayed line and, press enter.

The next screen will display all of the registers (15 cycles) available for viewing. Key an 'X' on the line preceding the report you wish to access. The columns on this screen represent the following:

Column 1: Agency/Reporting Unit

Column 2: Payroll Cycle Date

Column 3: Payroll Issue Date

Column 4: Type of Payment (MPR=Master, SUPP=Supplemental,

CT= Clearance Type)

Column 5 - 9: System information and are not applicable to users.